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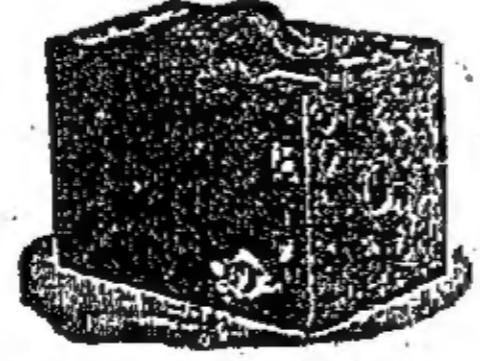
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BIRTHS.

On 1st March, at Shanghai, the wife of MESSRS. GOLDMAN, of a son.
On 2nd March, at Weihaiwei, the wife of JOHN A. W. LOUREIRO, of a son.
On 3rd March, at Shanghai, the wife of A. GRIESEL, of a daughter.
On 4th March, at Shanghai, the wife of J. A. SAMPLER, of a daughter.

MARRIAGES.

On 1st March, in Ningpo, the Rev. J. R. GODDARD, D.D., to Miss HILDE L. COONEY, both of the American Baptist Missionary Union.
On 5th March, at Shanghai, KACHEL, eldest daughter of the late ISAAC EZRA of Shanghai, to N. S. LEVY, of Shanghai.

DEATH.

On 2nd March, the infant son of WILLIE A. MACK, I. M. Customs, Pootang.

The Daily Press.

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HONGKONG, MARCH 11TH, 1905.

CHINA-SIDE men with experience and knowledge of things Chinese are quite pessimistic with regard to the prospect of currency reform in China. The fact that Professor JENKS should have been treated with such exceptional honour, during his recent visit to China on an educational mission connected with this matter, gave rise to hopes that the authorities at Peking might yet do something to establish a more stable currency; but in China, if anywhere, the meaning of the adage about "hope deferred" is fully realised. According to a correspondent who writes from Peking, we may almost abandon hope of a gold currency. The memorial by CHANG CHIH-TUNG, to which we have twice referred previously, is believed to have had greater influence at headquarters than we thought it deserved. The emasculated puppets who pull the wires in the Forbidden City, and rule the elderly woman who rules the youthful Emperor who is supposed to be ruling China, have been much impressed by the doting Viceroy's prophecies of national calamities that were to follow the introduc-

tion of a stable currency. There was something childish in CHANG CHIH-TUNG's assertion that foreign assistance at the Chinese mint would mean "nothing more nor less than that the finances of the whole Empire of China shall be entrusted into the hands of the foreigner designated as the Director of the Mint, leaving nothing in the hands of the owners thereof"; but apparently such statements are swallowed at Peking as readily as "the heathen in his blindness" acquiesces in the most ridiculous *tzu*. Of course, the benefit of a gold currency in China would not be fully realised if its circulation were restricted to coast ports and provinces. No such half measure was anticipated by Professor JENKS when he was seeking to show China how she might improve her own financial conditions. CHANG CHIH-TUNG, instead of manfully rising to the occasion, and facing obvious difficulties as he might have done, had he not given rein to prejudices unworthy in a man with such a reputation, instead of suggesting plans for overcoming those difficulties, weakly and meanly says "there is fear that such coin cannot be made to pass current throughout the Empire." Worse still, he magnifies the difficulties, and, to impress the already harassed authorities, pictures shops and firms going into bankruptcy; merchants closing their doors; and rebellion stalking about the land. All these things, he it noted, as a consequence of fixing a stable exchange of currency. His idea of the meaning of a gold currency, as described without quotations to support the description, would hardly be believed. It is worthy of the meanest coolie in the populous of Canton, but inexplicable in an educated man of CHANG's experience. He explains that Europeans use gold coins because they are so rich, and the goods they consume so dear. He informs the EMPEROR that in Europe "there was never a case where an individual's daily expenses amounted to less than one silver dollar"!

"Hence," he goes on, "it was found more convenient to use gold money. This is not the case with China. Our people are poor; goods are cheap; labour very moderate, while Chinese are economical in their food and their daily expenses. It was therefore necessary to use copper cash as a medium of exchange. Amongst the poor, a person's daily expenses for food mount only to an average of twenty copper cash. Among those of medium means a man daily spends on his food sixty or seventy cash only. It is only in the sea-coast and riverine treaty ports and large cities that silver bullion and silver dollars are interposed, but in the inland towns and cities trade in local products, be the amounts large or small, the currency is computed in copper cash only. Although in large trade transactions silver bullion may be accepted in payment, the accounts are always kept on a copper cash basis."

It is to be hoped that their Majesties in Peking will be approached by some one able to enlighten the darkness into which their faithful Viceroy has plunged them on this matter; to explain to them how an agricultural labourer in rural England, bringing up a family on fifteen shillings a week, is spending the equivalent of gold; and how the sweating workwoman in London East, buying a pennyworth of bread, a farthing's worth of tea, and a half-pint of butter, is no worse off under a gold standard than the poor Chinese provincial who buys rice for twenty copper cash; but may be, and doubtless is, better off for it.

There will be a H.K.C. rifle match at Tai-hung range to-day.

The number of Chinese servants on the Peak is officially put at two thousand.

CHANG CHIH-TUNG is the latest believer in the "yellow peril." He dreads a gold currency.

The minutes of the last committee meeting of the Shanghai Chamber of Commerce are wholly taken up with correspondence re mail delays.

The s.s. *Gaza* on her voyage from Bangkok to Hongkong picked up the crew of a Chinese junk which had lost her rudder and mast in a storm.

King's Park Range, at 200 yards, will be available for members of the Hongkong Volunteer Reserve Association from 1:30 to five o'clock this afternoon.

The price of sheep in Peking has greatly risen of late; it is said because of the demand by "a certain power." The Guilds and the compradores are "certain powers" sometimes.

An American paper, publishing one of the birth notices appearing today (readers will soon select the right one) would be sure to suggest that there should have been twins to fit the name. It would be unwise for us to do so.

The Commander of the French frigate *Sainte*, who commanded the cruiser *Pascal* when the engagements took place at Chemulpo between Japanese and Russian warships, has conferred upon him by the Tsar the cross of Commander of the Order of St. Anne in recognition of the assistance given by him on that occasion to the crews of the Russian ships.

The *Peking Times* is glad to hear that the report circulated in Hongkong that the German Minister would shortly leave Peking, is incorrect. Affairs in Peking now seem to render it very desirable that men who understand the situation well should be retained there.

Mr. Wm. Martin, American Consul at Nanking, who returned to China from leave on March 2nd by the G.N.S. *Minnesota*, received a telegram from the State Department the same night, ordering him to proceed at once to Hankow to take up the post of American Consul-General there.

The N.C. *Daily News* understands that circulars have been sent to the shareholders in Messrs. Farman, Boyd and Co., Ltd., stating that the proposed sale of the company in London has not been concluded, and that Messrs. Twentyman and Prentiss are returning to Shanghai at once. There is a later report that negotiations have been re-opened in London.

On Thursday night the Police, under Inspector Collett, raided a house at West Point wherein two Chinese were suspected of being in possession of counterfeit coin. Li Ping Nam was caught with \$32 in his possession and Chan Cheuk Im with \$62.6. They were charged before Mr. F. A. Tizard at the Police Court yesterday with being in possession of, and tendering or uttering same. The case was adjourned until Friday next.

The new steamer *Shantien*, Captain Dewar, belonging to the China Navigation Company, which made her maiden trip to Tientsin on March 4th, promises to be a great favourite with passengers as Captain Dewar's former command, the *Shengking*. She is a single-screw vessel of 1,738 tons gross, and 1,081 tons net, capable of steaming 15 knots when pushed, her average speed on the voyage out having been something over 11½ knots. The accommodation is planned for 24 first-class passengers, and there is plentiful provision for Chinese passengers, first and second-class, on the deck.

The general agents at Hongkong of the Lewis and Clark Centennial Exposition and Oriental Fair, the Portland and Asiatic Steamship Company, have sent us a pamphlet and a large coloured bird's eye view of the exposition. The opening day is June 1st next and the exposition closes on the 15th October. The Portland and Asiatic Steamship Company offer every facility for Hongkong merchants and manufacturers to send exhibits, and passage from Hongkong to Portland may be booked by this line.

"What is truth?" said jesting Pilate from the London *Daily Mail* of January 2nd.—

"To day the Stock Exchange is closed for the New Year's holiday."

From a half-penny evening paper, published by the same firm on the same day—

"The news of the fall of Port Arthur was received with wild enthusiasm in the City."

On the Stock Exchange it was the one topic of all others."

Probably, says the *Globe*, the caretaker takes it over with the rest, which received the news with wild enthusiasm.

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Owing to a number of complaints received by the Shanghai *Tao-tao* with reference to the incarceration of Chinese female prisoners to the new municipal goal for women, his Honour recently instructed the Mixed Court magistrate to enter a protest against the practice with the Senior Consul, but without success. The N.C. *Daily News* now understands that Mr. W. V. Drummond, as legal advisor to the Nanyang Administration, has been requested to take up the matter and present the protest of the Chinese Government in diplomatic form.

The net profit of the Tientsin Press, Ltd., for the year 1904, amount to Tls. 10,301.29. After writing off Tls. 600 and Tls. 283.43 from Goodwill and Incorporation Expenses, Tls. 49.25 for repairs to Buildings, Tls. 369.65 for depreciation of Furniture, Tls. 1,492.20 for depreciation of Plant and Machinery, and Tls. 447.23 for Bad Debts, there remains Tls. 8,855.03 which the Directors recommend should be dealt with as follows: By payment of Director's and Auditor's Fees Tls. 1,100; By placing Tls. 880.0 to Reserve; By paying a 7 per cent dividend, absorbing Tls. 6,790.00; and carrying forward to 1905, Tls. 85.03.

The judgment delivered in November last by Mr. H. H. J. Gomperts, seven natives were charged with stowing away on the China Navigation Company's steamer *Chingta* on the occasion of her last voyage from Hongkong to Australia. Although the usual search for contraband of war was made prior to the departure of the *Chingta* from Hongkong, it was not till the vessel was out at sea that the Chinese were discovered. Their hiding place was found to be a coal tank, which was believed to be full of coal. The Captain informed His Worship that he was liable to a penalty of £100 on each of the defendants had they landed in the Commonwealth. Therefore he had to carry them to Australia and bring them back.

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LATEST STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

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The N.D.I. steamer *Borneo* left Sandakan on Wednesday, a.m., and may be expected here on Monday, a.m.

The fifth dance given under the auspices of the Masonic Quadrille Club, was held at the Masonic Hall last night, and about 170 couples gaily tripped the light fantastic into the wee small hours of morning. As on the previous occasions the floor was perfect and the music all that could be desired. We are given to understand that the concert to be held under the auspices of this club, will take place on the 21st instant, and not on the 17th as previously arranged.

"The Dharma Raja of Bhutan, writing to congratulate Colonel Younghusband on one of his earlier victories on the road to Tibet, said he had written to the Dalai Lama hoping to (as the Americans say) "put him wise." The Raja added "may there be faith and friendship between the English and the Bhutanese. Please let me know if there is anything you require from the Bhutan Government." Fancy Alexieff receiving such a nice chit on any Russian frontier!

M. Paul Doumor, the new President of the French Chamber, in his "Souvenirs" of his term of office as Governor-General of Indo-China, tells a characteristic story of Sir Alexander Swettenham, then Governor of the Straits Settlements. After luncheon his host invited him to stroll round the garden, and at the same time apologised for the hat he was obliged to don. It was a fine grey felt, shapeless, deformed, and enormous. Sir Alexander explained that he was wearing it for a bet. "It has also," he added, "got into the papers. They write of nothing else, and while they are chaffing me for what I am wearing they haven't time to attack me for what I am doing." "Un joli trait," thought M. Doumor, "d'humeur Anglais."

It has been learnt with very mingled feelings, says our Shanghai contemporary, that Mr. C. Wedemeyer, of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., is transferred to Foochow. Both Mr. and Mrs. Wedemeyer have been for many years very popular in social circles in Shanghai; while Mr. Wedemeyer has taken a prominent place in our social life, especially in volunteering, in which he has risen to be a Major, on the staff, and in amateur theatricals. While all his friends are glad of his promotion, it is impossible not to lament the loss that his departure is to Shanghai; and he will be especially missed by all who travel by the Canadian Pacific steamers. It is not known yet who will succeed him as Consul for Mexico. All Shanghai wishes him and his family good health and happiness and prosperity in their new home.

By kind permission of Col. Caulfield and officers, the band of the 11th Mahratta Light Infantry will play the following selection at the Hongkong Hotel this (Saturday) evening—
March. "Gateway" Wright
Selection "The Orchid" Monkton
Song "Radie" Wiege
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Selection "The French Maid" Shadrach
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Princess Rissole. Curry—Brazilian. Joints—
Sirloin of Beef, Roast Pheasant and Bread
Sauce. Boiled Leg of Mutton and Turnips, Cold
Cured Pork and Nesselrode Ice Cream and Finger
Cakes. Apple Tart. Tipsy Cake. Desert—
Coffee, Fruits.

Mr. H. H. J. Gomperts held an inquiry at the Magistracy yesterday afternoon concerning the death of a Chinese named Chiu Fuk, who was killed at the works of the Naval Yard Extension on February 24th. Evidence showed that he and two other coolies were removing a large iron light from one part of the yard to another. While carrying same on a pole across a narrow pathway the pole slipped and coolies and lamp tumbled into the dock. The lamp was broken in the fall and the burning oil ran over deceased. In trying to escape from it he fell to the bottom of the dock. He was removed to the Government Civil Hospital where he died of great pain from the burns he had received. The jury returned a verdict of death by misadventure, but considered there was negligence on the part of the Chinese signalman who did not report to the European in charge as required, that he was going to remove the lamp.

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TELEGRAMS.

["DAILY PRESS" SERVICE.]

THE SITUATION IN RUSSIA.

LONDON, 9th March.

The revolutionary agitation is spreading to fresh provinces of Russia.

[REUTER'S SERVICE.]

FRANCE AND RUSSIA.

LONDON, 9th March.

The recent official bulletins, which have been moderately and rather briefly couched, have raised little sensation, but the present operations on the Shantung are more extensive and important than any that have preceded them.

The communications between Hainking and Penshia are now completed.

An official report just issued states that the Japanese from Hainking are pressing the Russians near Tita, which is fifteen miles south of Fushun, and at Manchuntan, fifteen miles south of Fushun, where they are since encamped.

There were four serious night-attacks by the Russians on Friday night on the captured positions at Houshunmupotse and Tangchiatan, but all were repulsed.

Small night attacks were also made east of the railway.

The Japanese to the west of the railway continuing their force onset occupied three places.

On the right of the Hunho, the Japanese are dislodging the Russians and forcing them northward, keeping up furious attacks on the Russian defences between Changting and Tseefang, fifteen miles southwest of Mukden, through Tatspea, thirteen miles to the west

LOCAL SPORT.

The team in the semi-final of the Shield competition are the Royal Engineers and H.M.S. Glory. To decide the other two teams' thomatches, H.M.S. Albion v. the Naval Yard and the H. K. F. C. v. the West Kent Regiment, have yet to be played.

The H.K.F.C. play H.M.S. Centurion in a friendly on the Club Ground this afternoon, kick off at 4.15.

The football season will be closed with a dinner at the end of this month or the beginning of April.

The H.K.F.C. has had a fairly good season. Several Rugby men, however, have met with regrettable accidents. Biden, a good forward, and Graham, of the West Kents, broke their scaphophores. Lang severely hurt his knee; and J. Clark is in hospital with a poisoned arm. Other men received minor injuries.

E. R. Halifax, a good forward, has gone north, and is a decided loss to the Rugby team. E. D. C. Wolfe went with him, but he is not missed so much, for being stationed at Kowloon, he was unable to take part in the matches this season. Stamford, another good forward, has gone home. The Rugby team, on the other hand, has received some excellent recruits.

A Rugby match, H.K.F.C. v. the Garrison, was played at Happy Valley yesterday afternoon. The teams were as follows:

H.K.F.C.—J. A. F. Bourchier, back; A. S. Kemptone, T. E. Pearce, G. D. Bateman and J. P. Jordan, three-quarters; H. Soper and T. J. Hallett, halves; F. W. Goldring, A. Boyd, H. C. Aspinall, Taylor, Bartlett, Harrison and H. F. Chard, forwards.

The Garrison—Jordan, back; Lookee (11th Mahratta), Hanney, Leynour and Fawcett, three-quarters; Boyd and Humphreys, halves; Elgood, Hibbert, Rauking Rogers, Duncan and Macdonald, forwards.

No score was made in the first half. The Club, having somewhat the better of the play. After the interval, Goldring, Hallett, Bateman and Pearce combined in a run, the latter scoring a try which he converted himself. Pearce scored, and converted another try. Off a pass from Soper, Jordan got clean away and scored between the posts. Pearce converted.

Result—H.K.F.C., 3 goals (15 points); The Garrison, nil.

CRICKET.

The League table up to date is as follows:

Club	Played	Won	Lost	Drawn	Pts.
A.O.C.	15	9	3	2	32
Craigengower ...	14	9	4	1	28
Kowloon ...	13	9	4	0	27
R.E.	15	5	5	4	22
H.K. Police ...	13	5	3	5	20
H.K.C. "A." ...	11	5	2	4	10
R.G.A. 83rd Co. ...	15	8	2	5	17
Civil Service ...	15	4	9	2	14
R.A.M.C.	13	3	10	0	9
Parsons	8	0	8	0	0

The Kowloon C.C. play the R.E. in a League match at Happy Valley this afternoon. The following have been chosen to play for the Kowloon C.C.—Lieut. W. F. Lumden (capt.), Capt. C. K. Bush, Lieut. W. B. Duncan, Lieut. G. H. W. Dobbyn, Lieut. F. C. Bard, Dr. Swan, J. Robinson, S. Lightfoot, P. Moss, W. Clark and J. W. Fullon.

The H.K.C.C. "A" team play the R.A.M.C. on the Military Ground at Happy Valley this afternoon, commencing at 2.15 p.m. The following play for the H.K.C.C. "A"—A. Mackenzie, C. H. Falcon, E. A. Fowler, C. A. Parker, A. Oliver, J. Hooper, N. H. Rutherford, Rev. H. R. Wells, C. H. Oiliffe, F. W. Spencer and S. G. Nowall.

In the League match Craigengower C. C. v. Civil Service C.C., on the C. S. Ground commencing at 2.15 p.m. to-day, the following are the teams:—Craigengower C. C.—A. O. Brav (capt.), J. D. Kiernan, J. P. Jordan, J. Craig, E. S. Ford, R. Bassa, R. Pestonji, L. A. Rose, J. L. Sturt, L. J. Almada, L. Castro, J. Uchigaki, and J. Toppin, a reserve. Civil Service C.C.—Dr. Atkinson, H. T. Jackson, P. T. Lamble, A. R. Raven, F. T. Robins, R. H. Craig, F. Biden, R. W. Witzell, W. S. Weasor, W. H. Woolley and L. E. Brett.

A cricket match will be played to-day at 11.30 a.m. on the Club Ground between the H.K.C.C. and L.R.C. The following are the teams:—

H.K.C.C. Lord Hawke, Mr. M. C. Bonsor, Major W. A. F. Williamson A.S.C., Eng. Lt. de Paris R.N., Capt. P. G. Davies A.O.D., Messrs. C. H. Mackay, T. E. Pearce, G. E. Morrell, R. E. O. Bird, W. Daniel and J. T. Dixon.

L.R.C.: Messrs. R. Hancock, H. Hancock, P. M. Heath, 110th M.L.L., W. C. D. Turner and W. F. Lumden, R.A., Lt. Col. Aitken, 119th Inf., Major Lowrie, 119th Inf., Lt. F. J. B. Gibson, R.N., Major Chichester, C.S.O., Comm. Bentinck, R.N., and Mr. N. H. Rutherford.

POLO.

Practice games continue, but no matches have as yet been arranged. On Wednesday it was noticed that no pony got away with the ball, as was so common in the games when waler and China ponies were being played together. Many ponies, it is true, require a great deal of training, but some of them already shew very well. Mr. Gedge's black being fair example.

YACHTING.

The tenth Royal Hongkong Yacht Club race to be sailed to-morrow, Sunday. The course from Kowloon Police Pier to Lyemun Beacon, Kowloon Rock, Cuck Rock Buoy, Mira East Kowloon Rock, Lyemun Beacon and

The second prize for the Championship

Class is not yet decided, there being three more races, including to-morrow's. *Dions* is already the champion; and the second place lies between *Venus* and *Elspeth*.

The race for cruisers around the island is to be re-sailed over a new course.

Corinthian Yacht Club one-designers compete for the Commodore's Cup to-morrow. The course is from Kowloon Police Pier to Trousers, Rock Buoy, North Fairway Buoy, mark boat off Green Island and back to the Pier.

THE V.R.C.

It is said that H.M.S. *Albion*, the Royal West Kent Regiment, the Volunteers and the Docks are entering teams for the relay race (teams of four) at the V.R.C. Athletic Sports, to take place in April.

THE BOAT CLUB.

Members of the old Hongkong Boat Club now merged into the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club, still keep up rowing, but the training is irregular and nothing else is doing. Reclamation work on the site of the new club house, near the Petroleum Depot at East Point, is being pushed forward.

TENNIS.

The Hongkong Cricket Club's tennis tournament will be commenced in April.

THE HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN CO., LTD.

ANNUAL MEETING.

The annual meeting of this Company was held in the City Hall yesterday forenoon. There were present: Hon. Mr. Grasson (Chairman), Sir C. P. Chard and Messrs. N. A. Siebs, E. Goetz, A. G. Wood, H. Schubart, C. H. Thompson, E. S. Wheeler, E. Shellim, A. J. Raymond, and A. Haupt, (directors) E. Osborne (Secretary), Messrs. A. Forbes, L. S. Lewis, J. Orange, T. Arnold and F. Sulinger.

ANNUAL REPORT.

THE CHAIRMAN, in moving the adoption of the annual report and statement of accounts said:

Gentlemen—The Report and Accounts have been in your hands for some days, and if it be your pleasure, we will accept them as read.

Early in the year two disastrous fires occurred.

One if not both originated from a highly volatile spirit, which had recently become a new importation into the Colony, and steps have been taken at considerable expenditure, to further safeguard the Company's premises,

from this, and other known sources of danger.

The working profits you will observe have decreased by \$22,645, mainly attributable to the fires referred to, and not to the sanguinary conflict now being waged between Russia and Japan, for although the war has

adversely affected our business at West Point, this has been more than counterbalanced by increased profits at Kowloon.

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

CHINESE INTERPRETERS.

THE following Appointments in the service of the Federated Malay States are now vacant:

Chinese Interpreter, Grade I, \$1,584 rising to \$1,950, One.

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Chinese Interpreter, Grade III, \$528 rising to \$702, Two.

The necessary qualifications in addition to English, both spoken and written are:

Grade I: Three Chinese dialects and a sound knowledge of the Chinese written character.

Grade II: Three dialects of Chinese and a good knowledge of the Chinese written character.

Grade III: Two dialects of Chinese and an elementary knowledge of the written character.

Applications should be sent to the SECRETARY FOR CHINESE AFFAIRS, Singapore, and should contain copies of recent testimonials and a statement of the manner in which the qualifications claimed by the applicant have been acquired.

Hongkong, 11th March, 1905. [667]

THE CHINA AND MANILA STEAM-SHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE TWENTY-SECOND ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of SHARE-HOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICE, St. George's Building, No. 6, Connaught Road, Victoria, on SATURDAY, the 25th March, 1905, at 11 A.M. for the year ending 31st December, 1904.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from Wednesday, the 22nd March to Saturday, the 25th March, both days inclusive.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., General Managers.

Hongkong, 10th March, 1905. [668]

THE HUNG ON STEAM-LAUNCH COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that at an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING held on the 22nd day of December, 1904, the subjoined Resolution was duly passed and at an Extraordinary General Meeting held on the 6th day of January, 1905, the subjoined Resolution was duly confirmed.

"That the Company be wound up voluntarily and that WONG KUNG TAI be appointed Liquidator."

Dated the 10th day of March, 1905.

GEO. K. HALL BRUTTON,

Solicitor for

669) THE HUNG ON STEAM-LAUNCH CO., LTD.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, (FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED,)

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Catalogues will be issued.

TERMS.—As usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH,

Auctioneers.

Hongkong, 11th March, 1905. [670]

CONTRABAND OF WAR.

A JUDGMENT

Defining the term "CONTRABAND OF WAR"

delivered by

SIR HENRY S. BERKELEY,

Chief Justice of Hongkong,

in the case of

OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA v. OWNERS

of the S.S. "PROMETHEUS."

Together with the FINDINGS of Mr. E. A. HEWETT (Superintendent of the P. & O. Steam Navigation Company) in the ARBITRATION.

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

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FROM BOMBAY, COLOMBO AND STRAITS.

Consignees of Cargo by the above-named vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out; Mark by Mark, and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

This Vessel brings on Cargo:

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Optional Goods will be landed here unless instructions are given to the contrary before 6 p.m. To-DAY, the 10th inst.

Goods not cleared by the 17th inst., at 4 p.m., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.

Damaged packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignee's and the Company's representatives at an appointed hour. All Claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognised. No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns.

E. A. HEWETT,

Superintendent.

Hongkong, 10th March, 1905. [671]

INTIMATIONS

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FRED. C. GARTON,

Business Manager.

Hongkong, 11th March, 1905. [672]

HONGKONG CLUB.

NOTICE.

THE SEVENTH HALF-YEARLY DRAWING of SIXTY-FIVE DEBENTURES of the Hongkong Club, Payable on FRIDAY, the 31st March, 1905, at 11 A.M. for the year ending 31st December, 1904.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from Wednesday, the 22nd March to Saturday, the 25th March, both days inclusive.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,

General Managers.

Hongkong, 10th March, 1905. [669]

THE HUNG ON STEAM-LAUNCH COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

MESSMAN wanted by the Ward Room Officers of H.M.S. Amphitrite for passage to England. For particulars apply on board any forenoon.

Hongkong, 7th March, 1905. [673]

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

INFORMATION has been received from the MILITARY AUTHORITIES that GUN PRACTICE will be carried out under:

On MONDAY, 13th March—

From Pak-sha-wan, towards entrance to Junk Bay, at ranges of 600 to 4,000 yards, commencing at 9.30 A.M., and finishing at 11 A.M.

On WEDNESDAY, 15th March—

From Pinewood, in a North-Westerly direction, at ranges of 2,000 to 6,000 yards, commencing at 9.30 A.M., and finishing at 11 A.M.

On FRIDAY, 17th March—

From Pinewood, in a North-Westerly direction, at ranges of 2,000 to 6,000 yards, commencing at 9.30 A.M., and finishing at 11 A.M.

the weather is unfavourable on either of the above days, practice will take place on the following day.

All ship, junks and other vessels are to keep clear of the range.

L. BARNES-LAWRENCE, Capt., R.N.

Harbour Master, &c.

Hongkong, 6th March, 1905. [674]

NOTICE.

THE TWENTY-SEVENTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of the SHARE-HOLDERS of the Company will be held at the OFFICES of the General Agents on THURSDAY, the 23rd March, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1904.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 10th to the 23rd March, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., General Agents.

Hongkong, 6th March, 1905. [675]

Luzon Sugar Refining Company, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE TWENTY-SEVENTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of the SHARE-HOLDERS of the Company will be held at the OFFICES of the General Agents on THURSDAY, the 23rd March, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1904.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 10th to the 23rd March, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., General Agents.

Hongkong, 6th March, 1905. [676]

NOTICE.

THE TWENTY-THIRD ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of the SHARE-HOLDERS of the Company will be held at the OFFICES of the General Agents on THURSDAY, the 23rd March, at 12.30 P.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report and Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1904.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 10th to the 23rd March, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., General Agents.

Hongkong, 6th March, 1905. [677]

NOTICE.

THE DIVIDEND of \$24 per Share for the year ending 31st December, 1903, declared at To-day's Ordinary Annual Meeting, will be payable at the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, and Hongkong Shareholders are requested to apply for Dividend Warrants at the Company's Office, Esplanade Street, after 10 A.M. To-morrow.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., General Managers.

Hongkong, 6th March, 1905. [678]

PUBLIC COMPANIES

GEO. FENWICK & CO., LTD.

THE SIXTEENTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of SHARE-HOLDERS will be held in the HONGKONG HOTEL THIS DAY (SATURDAY), the 11th day of MARCH, 1905, at 11.30 A.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, declaring a Dividend, and electing Director and Auditor.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 8th until 11th March, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
W. G. WINTERBURN,
General Manager.

Hongkong, 11th March, 1905. [679]

GEO. FENWICK AND COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of this Company will be held at the HONGKONG HOTEL, Victoria, Hongkong, THIS DAY (SATURDAY), the Eleventh day of March, 1905, at 11.45 o'clock in the forenoon, when the subjoined resolution will be proposed:

"That Article X of the Company's Article of Association and its marginal notes be and the same are hereby cancelled and that there be substituted therefor the following Article and marginal notes namely:

Power to X. The Company in General Meeting may from time to time increase the capital, by the creation of new shares of such amount as may be deemed expedient.

Terms 2. The new shares shall be issued upon such terms and conditions and with such rights and privileges annexed thereto as the General Meeting resolving upon the creation thereof shall direct and if no direction be given by the Directors shall determine.

When to 3. Subject to any direction to the contrary that may be given by the Meeting that sanctions the increase of capital all new shares shall be offered to the public who are on a date to be named by the Meeting shall be members in proportion to the existing shares held by them and such offer shall be made by notice specifying the number of shares to which the Member is entitled and limiting the time within which the offer

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Hongkong, 23rd February, 1905. 630

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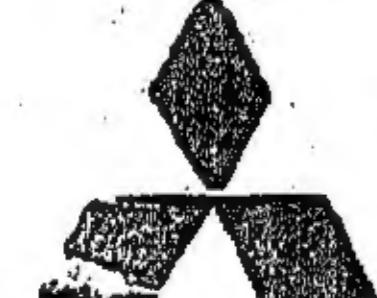
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Hongkong, 31st July, 1903. 363

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known best and most economical steam Coal in
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Hongkong, 16th February, 1905. 111

JAPANESE STUDY OF THE WAR.

Of "The Russo-Japanese Conflict," a new
book by Mr. Asakawa, Ph.D., The Times says—
"This valuable book deserves to be purchased,
read with attention, and kept at hand for
reference by all those who take an interest
in the origin and issues of the great
campaign in the Far East. Those who desire
indefatigable research, lucidity of expression,
and breadth of view in the treatment of con-
temporary history cannot fail to give a favourable
reception to this volume; and the fact that
the subject is treated with impartiality and a
very agreeable spirit of moderation will do
nothing to detract from the reader's pleasure.
Without wasting effort upon excursions into
more remote history, Mr. Asakawa opens his
examination with the year 1895 and the retro-
cession of Liaotung by Japan at the bidding of
the three Powers who combined to deprive
her of the fruits of her victory; and he closes
his attractive and concise narrative with
observations upon the Korean-Japanese treaty
of February 27 of last year. Within
this eventful period of nine years there are
crowded many events, many scenes, and
many actors; and in no other period of modern
history can there be found a story so involved,
so absorbing, and so truly symbolic of all the
jarring interests of the world we live in. It is
a synthesis of the arts of modern diplomacy
and a synopsis of the crafts of statesmanship,
while it affords the key-note to the policy, the
strength, and the weakness of principalities and
individuals great and small. We cannot fail to
recognize that we are spectators of a profoundly
interesting drama, not indeed devoid of touches
of humor, but, on the whole, tragic in its
luding situations and still more tragic in its
end. The author is a safe guide through these
stirring scenes. He marshals his facts with
order and skill, supplies every text and reference
that we can require for the refreshing of our
memories, and, while missing nothing of serious
importance, preserves intact throughout the
narrative a balanced judgment, a fine sense of
proportion, and a perfect continuity of ideas."

To remark that Mr. Asakawa presents us
with a clear and impartial narrative of facts is
to say in many words that a more damning
indictment of Russian diplomacy has not as yet
been given to the world. Sometimes, indeed, we
cannot find it in us to regret that the Japanese
spirit is so singularly devoid of passion, so
ominously schooled to restraint in word and
deed, that it can allow a record of so many acts
of signal duplicity to pass in review without a
stare or a shadow of disapproval or condemnation.
Coldly and judicially, like a surgeon
dissecting a corpse, the author lays bare the
whole pitiful tale of Russian aggression and
desire; but he never loses his calm, and the
coldly critical and reasoned line of argument
which he adopts is more powerful and more im-
pressive than a whole volume of adjectival
invective. Only once, and then rather with an
air of detachment, does the writer express the
thoughts which will constantly recur to the
minds of the majority of his readers:—

"The moment a complex diplomatic machinery
relies upon subterfuge for its success, its
ingenuity will be taxed to the utmost, or
unity will be in danger. For it will not be easy to
make the entire body of diplomatic agents speak
the same untruths at all places and at all times."
So far as Russia is concerned, Mr. Asakawa is
not content with the bare record of her diplo-
matic double-dealing. He probes down for first
causes, and some of his discoveries assume
additional importance in view of the evidence of
popular dissatisfaction given us by recent events
within the Russian Empire.

The author wastes few words in dispraise of
the orientation of Russian foreign policy
throughout the eventful period of which he
traces. On the contrary, he shows quite plainly
that, in his view, whether in Manchuria, Formosa
or Asia Minor, Russia is compelled to establish
an exclusive control, if she can, in order to
create and maintain Russian markets by artifi-
cial means. It is imperative, he thinks, for her
to disregard the interests of consumers and the
growing industrial claims of neighbouring
nations, or to see herself out by Power better
equipped or better circumstanced for the race
of trade. He does not cavil at this tendency, but
accepts it as a necessary law of Russia.
So far as Manchuria is concerned, he
gradually assumed a position of antagonism to
this current, and, in the case of Japan, was at
last compelled to endeavor to arrest its course.
He suggests that the real tendency of Russian
expansion has been territorial rather than
commercial; he considers that this policy has
been costly; and he finds a remarkable incon-
gruity between the economies of the people
and the finances of the Government. The strain
of Russian expenditure would be, he thinks,
too great even for an industrial nation of the
first rank; and he holds that, whereas Russia
has become apparently richer and more power-
ful, her people have, in point of fact, steadily
deteriorated and have become more and more
stuck in poverty and discontent. What Russia
aimed at in Manchuria, and still desires in
other parts of Asia even less formally under
her control, is a close borough for her trade,
surrounded by tariff walls and protected by
subsidies, monopolies, and the like, giving her the
option at any moment, of declaring an Asiatic
continental blockade against her political or other
enemies. What this project entails was well
exemplified by the situation in March of last
year, when Russia declared martial law at Niu-
chwang. She had included food in her list of
contraband, and as a consequence, and until the
Japanese occupation took place in July, the
export of millet, beans, and bean-cake wholly
ceased.

In casting a glance back over the period dealt
with by the Japanese author, we become sensible
of the unavoidable necessity for the opposition
of the Anglo-Saxon nations and of Japan to
the ends and aims of Russia. To Japan, above
all, the question was vital. Predominance in
Korea, free expansion of her population in
Manchuria, and equal rights for all nations to
develop the immense resources of China were an
imperative necessity of the first order to the
Russian empire; whereas the interests of
Russia were mainly political and strategical. If
the nearest continental markets became closed
to Japanese trade, nothing is more certain than
that Japanese national life will become para-
lyzed, since no nation can exist without food,
and no people without occupations. The terri-
tories the overlordship of which Russia aspires
to possess supply Japan with the necessities
of life; and it is through the open door alone that
these necessities can freely pass. If Japan is,
in a large measure, fighting the battle of the
world, her cause is also one of national existence
for her own people; and no one can complain
if the event proves that her circumstances and
situation allow her to profit most of all in
the end from the heavy sacrifices entailed upon her
by the war. Mr. Asakawa traces, step by step,
the gradual rise of Japan to the position of
protagonist in the Eastern drama, and this
done he does not neglect a close and searching
scrutiny into the words and acts of other great
Powers. In so far as British policy is con-
cerned, the record is not wholly gratifying until
the control of our foreign relations passes into
the hands of Lord Lansdowne. Up to that point

the author criticizes the failure of our endeav-
ours to substitute the principle of retaliation
and balance of power for that of effective
prevention of evil, and we need take no
pains to deny that this criticism is in the
main just. Yet, when he passes on to
inquire into Japan's mistakes and failures in
Korea, he is fain to advise that Japan herself
made a practically identical mistake. Both in
1885 and 1890 Japan entered into an impulsive
association with a despotic and aggressive
Power, and the rest of the admission of
Russia into partnership with Japan in Korea
was all that might have been expected. In
tracing the history of the Russo-Japanese
negotiations immediately before the outbreak
of war, Mr. Asakawa is tender towards the
Russian Foreign Office. He considers that the
real instigators of Russian policy were com-
pletely out-of-hand, and that neither Count
Lamadoff nor even the Tsar had any serious
control of events. Admiral Alexioff, however,
comes in for a large share of the responsibility
for the final catastrophe, while the
Parollos, Cassinis, Rosina, Lassars, and
other figures on the diplomatic stage are one
and all assessed at their relative values, and
their share, or absence of share, in the march of
events is faithfully described.

Few will fail to be impressed, as they read
this fascinating story of nine years of diplomatic
plots and strife, with a sense of the identity of
aims of the Anglo-Saxon nations and of Japan
in grand lines of policy in the Far East. The
fact becomes more clearly marked during each
phase of the long struggle; and it becomes also
evident that the total failure of the Anglo-
German Agreement, which was stillborn on the
day that Count von Bülow declared that it includ-
ed Manchuria, involved as almost necessary
consequence the union of British interests with
those of another ally on whom we could more
severely count. These international acts, as
well as the Russo-French declaration of March
17, 1902, and the position taken up by America,
are all fully described by the author. The
record of these events conveys to the mind a
sense of the admixture of conflict and solidarity
between the interests of all the Powers in the
Far East, and makes us hesitate to believe that
the book of the war can be finally closed without
something in the nature of an international
guarantee to set the seal upon a lasting peace.

CHURCH SERVICES.

St. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL—1st Sunday in Lent
Holy Communion, 7.30 a.m. Matins 11 a.m.—
Responses, Ferial, Vespere, Burrows in E;
Psalms, Jones and Cambridge; Benedictus, Ward
in A; Jubilate Hayes, in F; Anthem, "Turn
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Evensong, 5.45 p.m.—Responses, Ferial; Psalms,
Garrett, Tomlinson, and Wesley; Benedictus, in
D; Anthem, 183, 250, and 259; Vesper
Hyman, Ward (No. 1); Voluntaries after service;
March, Triumphant, Calcutta; Pastoral in E,
Lemire.

St. PETER'S CHURCH—1st Sunday in Lent
Holy Communion, 7.30 a.m. Morning prayer 11 a.m.—
Vespere, Burrows in E; Psalms, Jones and Cambridge;
Benedictus, Ward in A; Jubilate Hayes, in F; Anthem,
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St. MARY'S CHURCH—1st Sunday in Lent
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Vespere, Burrows in E; Psalms, Jones and Cambridge;
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SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

ATHENIAN, British str., 4,000. S. Robinson, 10th March.—Vancouver 8th Feb. and Shanghai 7th Mar. General—C. P. R. Co. BENGAL, British str., 2,751. G. Phillips, 10th March.—Shanghai 7th March, Manila and General—P. & O. S. N. Co.

DAIYI MABU, Japanese str., 1,732. A. Yokoyama, 10th March.—Mojii Coal—Mitsui Bihi Kaisha.

GAFA, German str., 625. H. Dahl, 10th March.—Bangkok 1st March, Rio and Rio-Hour—Chile.

GUNNAR, Norwegian str., 2,608. A. Gjertsen, 10th March.—Cardiff 31st Dec., Coal—Ore.

HAMPSHIRE, British str., 1,450. D. Thomas, 10th March.—Barry 10th Jan., Coal—Dowell & Co.

HUGIN, Norwegian str., 829. G. Salberg, 10th March.—Wuliu, Rio—Chinese.

MUJIA, British str., 3,845. F. N. Tillard, 10th March.—Boulogne and Singapore 5th Mar., Manila and General—P. & O. S. N. Co.

ONCHAN, British str., 1,787. J. T. Davies, 10th March.—Samuan 27th Feb., Sugar—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

TAMING, British str., 1,350. Outerbridge, 10th March.—Manila 7th March, General—Butterfield & Swire.

CLEARANCES.

AT THE HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE 10th March.

Decina, German str., for Swatow.

Mathilda, German str., for Hoihow.

DEPARTURES.

9th March.

STORE NO. DISRE, Danish str., for a cruise. 10th March.

BOURTON, German str., for Saigon.

HONESTER, German str., for Moji.

HUGIN, Norwegian str., for Canton.

HUEN, British str., for Newchwang.

KRONWICH, German str., for Bangkok.

LUONGSONG, British str., for Manila.

PETRAK, German str., for Newchwang.

RUBI, British str., for Manila.

SAMBIA, German str., for Hamburg.

SLESHA, German str., for Madras.

SWADA, British str., for Yokohama.

TAIWAN, British str., for Ningpo.

TINGSANG, British str., for Shanghai.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British str. *Osceola* reports: Fine weather to Parcels, and then moderate to strong breeze to arrival; high swell from N.E.

The British str. *Athenian* reports: Light northerly winds first part, then moderate to fresh N.E. through Straits to Hongkong; weather overcast and hazy.

VESSELS IN DOCK.

10th March.

A BEEDEEN DOCKS.—*Schrodense, Liscian, Venet, Totatos, H. M. S. Janus, Chingtu, Chawoo, Lohian, Hollow, Form. Politan Dock.*—*Rajahuri.*

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Silk and Valuables, all cargo for France, and Tea for London (under arrangement), will be transhipped at Colombo into the mail steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London; other cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed from Bombay by the H. M. S. "Persia," due in London on the 22nd April, 1905.

Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 p.m. the day before sailing. The contents and value of all packages are required.

For further particulars, apply to E. A. HEWETT, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 27th February, 1905.

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"EASTERN." Captain W. Ellis, will be despatched for the above ports on MONDAY, the 13th inst., at DAYLIGHT.

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Hongkong, 21st February, 1905.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

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THE Company's Steamship

"HAITAN," Captain Rosch, will be despatched for the above ports on TUESDAY, 14th inst., at 9 A.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & CO., General Managers.

Hongkong, 10th March, 1905.

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.

THE Steamship

"LIGHTNING." Captain J. G. Spence, will be despatched for the above ports on TUESDAY, 14th inst., at 3 P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DAVID SASSOON & CO., LTD.

Agents.

Hongkong, 2th March, 1905.

To ascertain the anchorage of any Vessel, the Harbour has been divided into Four sections commencing from Green Island. Vessels anchoring nearest Kowloon are marked K, nearest Hongkong H, midway between Hongkong and Kowloon M, and those vessels berthed at the Kowloon Wharf K.W., together with the number denoting the section.

1. From Green Island to the Harbour Master's.

2. From Harbour Master's to Blake Pier.

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SECTIONS.

3. From Blake Pier to Naval Yard.

4. From Naval Yard to East Point.

DESTINATION	VESSEL'S NAME	FLAG & BIG	BIRTH	CAPTAIN	FOR FREIGHT APPLY TO	TO BE DESPATCHED
LONDON, &c., VIA PORTS OF CALL	BENGAL	Brit. str.	—	G. Phillips	P. & O. S. N. Co.	To-day, at Noon.
LONDON & ANTWERP, VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	JAPAN	Brit. str.	—	E. P. Martin, R.N.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 15th inst.
LONDON & ANTWERP	MERIONETHSHIRE	Brit. str.	—	C. H. Burch	SHEWAN, TOME & CO.	About 20th inst.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	STENTOR	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 14th inst.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	ACHILLES	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 28th inst.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	MACHAON	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 11th April.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	AGAMEMNON	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 25th April.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	RHENANIA	Ger. str.	k. w.	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 18th inst.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	OCEANIAN	Fr. str.	—	Behrens	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	To-day, at 1 P.M.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	PRINCESS ALICE	Ger. str.	—	Oliver	MELCHERS & CO.	On 15th inst., at Noon.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	SUVIA	Ger. str.	k. w.	P. Wettin	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 4th April.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	SILESIAS	Ger. str.	k. w.	Krause	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 18th April.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	SLAVONIA	Ger. str.	k. w.	Madsen	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 2nd May.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	NEGOVIA	Ger. str.	k. w.	Schoenfeldt	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 16th May.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	PATROCULUS	Brit. str.	1 m.	Rasse-vich	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 15th inst.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	ALCINOUS	Brit. str.	1 m.	Nicholas	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 20th April.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	M. BACQUEHEM	Aus. str.	—	Habel	SANDER, WIELER & CO.	On 23rd inst.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	ST. FILIANS	Brit. str.	—	Burnett	DODWELL & CO., LTD.	Quick despatch.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	SCHUYLER	Brit. str.	—	—	STANDARD OIL CO.	On 9th April.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	NUBIA	Brit. str.	k. w.	—	STANDARD OIL CO.	On 23rd April.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	HUDSON	Brit. str.	—	—	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	On 15th inst.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	ATHENIAN	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	On 29th inst.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	EMPEROR OF CHINA	Brit. str.	2 m.	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 24th inst.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	ONANTA	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	DODWELL & CO., LTD.	On 30th inst.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	PLEIADES	Aus. str.	—	—	NIPON YUSEN KAISHA	About 19th inst.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	MINNESOTA	Am. str.	—	Ellis	PORTLAND & ASIA'S S. CO.	On 13th inst., at Daylight.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	NICOMEDIA	Brit. str.	—	—	GIBE, LIVINGSTON & CO.	On 14th inst.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	EASTERN	Brit. str.	—	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	About 19th inst.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	CHANGSHA	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	P. & O. S. N. CO.	On 11th inst.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	CEYLON	Brit. str.	—	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 21st inst.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	TIENTSIEN	Brit. str.	—	—	DODWELL & CO., LTD.	On 12th inst.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	CHINGTU	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 13th inst., at Daylight.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	WOSHAN	Brit. str.	—	—	—	On 14th inst.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	TRIUMPH	Ger. str.	—	—	—	On 16th inst.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	FRITHJOF	Ger. str.	—	—	—	On 17th inst.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	B. BJORNSEN	Ger. str.	—	—	—	On 18th inst.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	HAITAN	Brit. str.	2 h.	—	—	On 19th inst.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	TAMINO	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	—	On 20th inst.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	ZAFIRO	Brit. str.	—	—	—	On 21st inst.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	RUBI	Brit. str.	—	—	—	On 22nd inst.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	MANILA	Am. str.	—	—	—	On 23rd inst.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	MANILA	Am. str.	—	—	—	On 24th inst.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	MANILA	Am. str.	—	—	—	On 25th inst.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	AMOY, MANILA, CEBU & ILOILO	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	—	On 26th inst.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	BATAVIA, CERIBON SAMARANG, &c.	Brit. str.	—	—	—	On 27th inst.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	SINGAPORE & SOURABAYA	Brit. str.	—	—	—	On 28th inst.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	FOOSHING	Brit. str.	—	—	—	On 29th inst.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	LIGHTNING	Brit. str.	—	—	—	On 30th inst.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	ISCHIA	Ital. str.	—	J. G. Spence	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.	On 1st April.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	—	—	—	J. G. Spence	MAGAZZINI	On 14th inst., at Noon.

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OUTWARDS.

FROM	STEAMERS	DEPARTURE
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL.	"ALCINOUS"	On 15th March.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL.	"OANPA"	On 21st March.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL.	"RAISOW"	On 25th March.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL.	"AGAMEMNON"	On 29th March.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL.	"JASON"	On 1st April.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL.	"LAELIUS"	On 8th April.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL.	"DARDANUS"	On 8th April.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL.	"CHINGTUO"	On 17th April.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL.	"TELEMACHUS"	On 21st April.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL.	"DIOMED"	On 29th April.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL.	"CALCHAS"	On 29th April.

HOMEWARDS.

TO	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"STENTOR"	On 14th March.
GENOA, MARSEILLES and LIVERPOOL	"PATROCLUS"	On 15th March.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"ACHILLES"	On 28th March.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"MACHAON"	On 11th April.
GENOA, MARSEILLES and LIVERPOOL	"ALCINOUS"	On 20th April.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"AGAMEMNON"	On 25th April.

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Hongkong, 13th February, 1905. 19-10

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STEAMERS TO SAIL.

PORT	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
DARWIN, THURSDAY	"CHANGSHA"	On 14th March.
ISLAND, COOKTOWN, CAIENS, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE	"CHANGSHA"	On 14th March.
MANILA, AMOY, MANILA, CEBU and ILOILO	"TAMING", "KAIFONG", "CHINGTUO"	On 16th March, 21st March.
COKE	"TAMING", "KAIFONG", "CHINGTUO"	On 16th March, 21st March.
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STEAMERS TO SAIL.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL	REMARKS.
LONDON, &c.,	BENGAL, G. Phillips	Noon, 11th March	Sea Special Advertisement.
SHANGHAI	NUBIA, F. N. Tillard	10 A.M., 11th March	Freight and Passage.
KOBE	TIENTSIN, C. D. Goldsmith, E.N.E.	About 11th March	Freight only.
LONDON and ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, PENANG, JAPAN COLOMBO, PORT SAID and MARSEILLES	CEYLON, E. P. Martin, E.N.E.	About 15th March	Freight and Passage.
YOKOHAMA via SHANGHAI	MOJI and KOBE CEYLON, C. F. Lockstone, E.N.E.	About 19th March	Freight and Passage.

For further Particulars, apply to

E. A. HEWETT,
Superintendent.

Hongkong, 27th February, 1905.

NORTHERN PACIFIC LINE.
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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG FOR

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VIA

MOJI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

Steamer.	Tons.	Captain.	Sailing Date.
PLEIADES	3,753	F. G. Purinton	Thursday, March 30th
SHAWMUT	9,698	E. V. Roberts	Thursday, April 13th
TREMONT	9,696	T. W. Garlick	Friday, April 21st
LYRA	4,417	G. V. Williams	Monday, May 15th

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S.S. LYRA..... 4,417 tons. G. V. Williams ... About 3rd May.

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SAVING THREE TO SEVEN DAYS ACROSS THE PACIFIC.

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R.M.S. "ATHENIAN"..... 3,882 tons. WEDNESDAY, 15th Mar.

R.M.S. "EMPEROR OF CHINA"..... 6,000 tons. WEDNESDAY, 29th Mar.

R.M.S. "EMPEROR OF INDIA"..... 6,000 tons. WEDNESDAY, 19th April.

R.M.S. "TARTAR"..... 4,425 tons. WEDNESDAY, 26th April.

R.M.S. "EMPEROR OF JAPAN"..... 6,000 tons. WEDNESDAY, 10th May.

Hongkong to London, 1st Class via St. Lawrence 250. via New York 62.

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Hongkong, 16th February, 1905.

FOR LONDON AND ANTWERP.

THE Company's Steamship

"MERIONETHSHIRE,"

Captain H. Burch, will be despatched for the above ports on or about MONDAY, the 29th March.

This steamer has superior accommodation for passengers.

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Hongkong, 27th February, 1905. 1556

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Hongkong, 3rd March, 1905. 1601

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